

COMPANIES FILL HALF MILK STRIKERS' JOBS; VIOLENCE CONTINUES

Dealers Promise Full Deliveries Next Week; on Third Basis Now.

TRUCE AGAIN REFUSED

Hylan Threatens to Seize Plants, but Many See a Political Game.

MILLER AGENT IS HERE

Third Day of Strike Finds Better Distribution; Jail for

Some Lawbreakers.

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Threats of seizure and municipal-ization of the milk industry, made yesterday by Mayor Hylan and Health Commissioner Copeland to force a settlement of the strike, were met last night by a statement of the New York Milk Conference Board promising milk for to-day and the return of household delivery within a week. Dr. Copeland said he would use his police powers if distribution were not 50 per cent. of normal by to-morrow. The distributors promise to exceed the Health Commissioner's demands, and assert they already have filled the places of more than 45 per cent. of their striking employees.

The third day of the strike was the most violent from the strikers' side and marked the final efforts of the city authorities to bring about a settlement. Dr. Copeland said last night in the face of the announced intention of the distributors to "stand pat" on their open shop principle, that although the prospects for a settlement seemed black at present he still had hopes. He made this statement also on top of a characterization of his efforts and those of Mayor Hylan as an attempt to make political capital out of the strike.

The first bloodshed of the strike occurred late last night when John Leons of 717 Gates avenue, driver of a Sheffield Farms milk truck, was attacked by strikers and stabbed in the hands and back as he was leaving along Fulton street at Glenada place.

brooklyn. Lous was alone on the truck at the time. The strikers dragged him from the wagon and pummelled him with their fists. One of the attackers had a knife.

Lous later identified Louis Freidman, aged 26, of 389 Vermont street, a striking platform man, as the one who stabbed him. Physicians at Swedish Hospital said Lous had but slight chances of recovering.

Hospitals, baby milk stations and

institutions for the aged received yesterday all the milk they could use, and, although huge crowds stormed all the distributing centres in the city, few were turned away without milk. The figures of the Milk Conference Board show about 750,000 quarts were distributed during the day. That was an increase of 300,000 quarts over Wednesday, and the promise is that the increase will be as large to-day if not more so.

Milk Trucks Are Stoned.

More milk trucks appeared on the streets, and their presence occasioned the violence. The trucks were stoned in every borough, and the stoning was

The riot and the rioting was stopped only by the firing of shots by policemen. Two score arrests were made, and several of the prisoners learned that rioting strikers and sympathizers are to be dealt with severely by the courts. Four arrested in one disturbance received workhouse sentences of twenty days each, and in another nine were held in bail for trial. In each instance the prisoners were scored severely from the bench.

The threat of seizure of the local milk plants was made during a second attempt by Dr. Copeland to have the distributors meet the strikers in arbitration. It failed as utterly as did the first, made Wednesday afternoon.

When the drivers signed a stipulation to return to work and arbitrate, which was rejected promptly by the Milk Board. Dr. Copeland suggested the municipalization plan to Mayor Hylan in the morning and repeated it to the milk dealers at the afternoon conference. Their reply was that the city could have their plants if prepared to pay for them.

Ignoring the Milk Board, because of its refusal to agree to his settlement plan, Dr. Copeland summoned the dealers to his office as individuals. Seventeen appeared. Michael J. Regan, chief mediator of the State Industrial Bureau, also came.

also was present as the personal representative of Gov. Miller. Mr. Reagan said the Governor is watching the strike situation closely and may take a hand in it if the local authorities fail to bring about a settlement.

See Only Political Move.

The dealers admitted they entered the conference on nothing more than a political move.

conference, expecting an attempt would be made to browbeat them into a settlement. They were prepared to combat

this and left announcing they intended